

**Photos of Myrtle Creek Trail**  
Malheur National Forest

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The trailhead, with a fenced parking and picnic area, is just off paved Road 31.



The trail at first follows the grassy banks of Myrtle Creek downstream...



...but soon climbs and continues along a high bench with scenic rock outcrops.



At a few points, the trail descends back into the willow lined stream channel.





Finally, the trail reaches the broad lower canyon of Myrtle Creek, with its old growth ponderosa groves.



Here, at the one mile point, is the hike's only stream crossing, on a sturdy footbridge.



In the lower canyon, the trail passes through several wet meadows with spring wildflowers.



After passing West Myrtle Creek at the two mile point, there are streamside spots for lunch.